

**REMARKS****Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-28 are pending after entry of this paper. Claims 1-16, 20, and 21 have been withdrawn from consideration. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the withdrawn claims in a divisional application. Claims 17-19 and 22 have been rejected and claims 23-28 have been objected. Claims 2-5, 7, 8, 11, 13-24, and 26-28 have been amended.

Claims 2-5 and 17-21 have been amended to correct clerical errors.

Claims 13 and 26 have been amended to delete the box around the phrase “trifluoromethane sulfonate imide.”

Claims 7, 8, 11, 13-16, 22-24, 27, and 28 have been amended to place the claims in proper multiple dependent form.

No new matter has been introduced by these amendments. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections in view of the above claim amendments and below remarks are respectfully requested.

Applicants wish to thank Examiner McDonough for taking the time to discuss the issues indicated in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and the claims as filed on April 30, 2008 with applicants’ below-identified representative on July 28, 2008. The Examiner agreed that the claim status identifiers for claims 20 and 21 were correct as filed, i.e., withdrawn – currently amended. In accordance with the Examiner’s stated preference, the claims have been amended to indicate deletions by consistently using the double bracket notation.

Applicants understand that, with respect to the listing of claims in the Response to the Non-Final Office Action as filed April 30, 2008, the claims were not entered. Therefore, the instant claims are herein presented in place of the aforementioned filed listing of claims.

Furthermore, as the correction required is only directed to the Amendment to the Claims, only the corrected section, i.e., the listing of claims, has been presented herein.

### CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, the applicants respectfully request allowance of this application.

### AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. **13-4500**, Order No. 4439-4041.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. **13-4500**, Order No. 4439-4041.

Respectfully submitted,  
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